REMARKS

Claims 1-33 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1-6, 17-22, 33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pennell et al. (US Pat App Pub No 2005//0149854) in view of Gonzales (US Pat App Pub No 2002/0161603). Claims 7-12, 14-15, 23-28, 30-31 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pennell et al. in view of Gonzales and Winkler (US Pat App Pub No 2002/0137507). Claims 13, 16, 29 and 32 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

By this Amendment, Applicants are amending claims 1, 7, 17, and 23, and is canceling claims 13, 29 and 32.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 13, 16, 29 and 32 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 13, 16, 29 and 32 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants are hereby writing the limitations of claims 13, 29 and 32 into independent claims 1, 7, 17 and 23, and canceling claims 13, 29 and 32.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

A. Claims 1-6, 17-22, 33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pennell et al. (US Pat App Pub No 2005/0149854) in view of Gonzales (US Pat App Pub No 2002/0161603).

As noted above, Applicants have amended claims 1 and 17 to include the elements from claim 13. Specifically, amended claim 1 recites "a template document receiving unit that receives the template document from a server if the template document is not found in a database when the user selects the template document; a control document receiving unit that receives the control document from the server if the control document is not found in the database; and a multimedia file receiving unit that receives a multimedia file designated by the multimedia file information from the server if the multimedia file is not found in the database." Applicants respectfully submit that these limitations are not taught by Pennell or Gonzales, or a combination thereof. Thus, amended claims 1 is patentable over the applied art.

Amended claim 17 recites similar limitations to amended claim 1, and is patentable for reasons analogous thereto.

Claims 2-6, 18-22 and 33 are patentable at least by virtue of their respective dependencies from amended claims 1 and 17.

B. Claims 7-12, 14-15, 23-28, 30-31 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pennell et al. in view of Gonzales and Winkler (US Pat App Pub No 2002/0137507).

Amended claims 7 and 23 have been amended to include the limitations of claims 13 and 29, respectively. Specifically, amended claim 7 recites "a template document receiving unit that receives the template document from a server if the template document is not found in a database when the user selects the template document; a control document receiving unit that receives the control document from the server if the control document is not found in the database; and a multimedia file receiving unit that receives a multimedia file designated by the multimedia file information from the server if the multimedia file is not found in the database." Applicants respectfully submit that Pennell, Gonzales and Winkler, or a combination thereof, fails to teach the limitations found in claims 13 and 29. Thus amended claim 7 is patentable over the applied art.

Amended claim 23 recites limitations similar to claim 7, and is patentable for reasons analogous thereto.

Claims 8-12, 14-15, 24-27 and 30-31 are patentable at least by virtue of their respective dependencies from amended claims 7 and 23.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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